

O B I T U A R Y

Andrey V. Voronkov

22 January 1977—17 October 2020

Andrey Vladislavovich Voronkov died on 17 October 2020 aged only 44 years. Here is a tribute to our author and a wonderful person, an innovator, educator, MD and professor.

Andrey V. Voronkov graduated from Volgograd State Medical Academy in 2000. He started his professional life as assistant of the Pharmacological Department followed by research positions at the Research Institute of Pharmacology, in particular, at the Laboratory of Cardiovascular Medication. For a long time Andrey V. Voronkov worked as the Director of the Department of Pharmacology with a Clinical Pharmacology Course and the Vice Director of Pyatigorsk Medico-Pharmaceutical Institute – the Branch of the Volgograd Medical University.

His major research interests included the development of substances with endothelial protective properties. These substances are aimed at correcting conditions of extreme physical and emotional load in high performance sport. His lifetime publication record lists more than 300 papers.

Andrey Vladislavovich Voronkov had a bright, intensive life. The Professor was valued and appreciated for his honesty, fairness, fearlessness and an ability to bring people together. Young specialists were encouraged and motivated with his professionalism, desire to discover and promote science. Under the guidance of Professor Voronkov 10 postgraduates successfully defended his PhD thesis. For his PhD students he was not only a strict and demanding mentor, but first of all an inspiration, a role model and just a friend you could rely on. Due to his experience and integrity Prof. Voronkov earned the respect and affection among colleagues.

Andrey V. Voronkov was a versatile and talented man. In addition to research and administrative activities he was a passionate athlete and the President of Professional Boxing Federation in Stavropol Region. Andrey Voronkov conducted numerous competitions and boxing matches attracting best professional boxers.

It is impossible to accept such untimely death, to imagine that in the corridor of the university we will never hear the Professor say *my young friends* to us. It has been our honor and privilege to work under the



guidance of such a great scholar and a man. The memory of Andrey Voronkov will always be in our hearts. Finally, the team of post-graduates expresses heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and colleagues.

***With Deepest Grief
Post-Graduate Students***